

**APPELLANTS' NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Application No. 10/736,489

Pre-Appeal Brief Dated August 9, 2006

Reply to final Office Action of April 19, 2006

Attorney Docket No. 4133-031323

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : Xia Zhao et al.  
Filed : December 15, 2003  
Title : TERMINAL STERILIZATION OF PREFILLED CONTAINERS  
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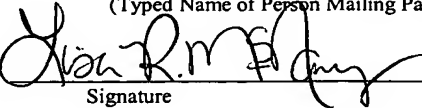
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated April 19, 2006 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-55.

A check in the amount of \$500.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the cost of filing the Notice of Appeal. A one-month Petition for Extension of Time with the appropriate extension fee is submitted concurrently herewith.

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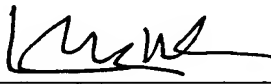
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Applicants also submit a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review concurrently with the filing of this Notice of Appeal.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Notice of Appeal are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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